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Applicant: Marek Kwiatkowski

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: METHODS FOR SEPARATING OLIGONUCLEOTIDES

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed August 6, 2004, Applicant elects the following species:

- 1. Interaction with separation medium via a non-covalent interaction;
- Separation unit is alkoxypixyl;
- 3. Separation medium is a reverse phase separation medium;
- 4. Cleaving step is facilitated using TBAF; and
- 5. A cleavable unit of the first or second separation tag comprises a siloxyl or disiloxy moiety.

These elections are made without traverse. Applicant believes that no fee is due. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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